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BIG SUM NEEDED TO FINANCE STATE SUGGESTS PRISON REFORM IN VT.

\$4,857,809 in Appropriations Recommended for Two Years Ending June 30, 1921

Montpelier, March 12.—The committee on appropriations submitted to the House the following statement as the approximate financial condition of the State: Appropriations recommended by budget committee for two years ending June 30, 1921, \$4,857,809. Appropriation for 1917 to be provided for, \$149,000; total, \$5,006,809. General revenue for two years ending June 30, 1921, estimated, \$3,711,300; deficit, \$1,295,509. Military notes due, \$608,000. Estimates soldiers' pay, \$1,000,000; total, \$1,508,000. Grand list, \$2,581,415. Thirty cent tax for two years, \$1,548,845.

TO BOOM WILLIAMSTOWN

Board of Trade Incorporated to Advance Industrial and Financial Conditions

Montpelier, March 13.—Articles of incorporation of the Williamstown Board of Trade, Inc., have been filed in the office of the secretary of state. The purpose of this new corporation is to improve and advance industrial and financial conditions of the town of Williamstown, to extend and enlarge opportunities for trade and manufacture and general business activities in Williamstown, to seek out, promote and assist in the establishment of new industries to be located in Williamstown, and to carry on other business of a corporation of this nature.

LEGISLATORS WIVES' PARTY

Women Entertain 200 with a Reception Given at the Pavilion in Montpelier

Montpelier, March 13.—The Society of Wives of the members of the Legislature of 1919 gave a reception in the Pavilion at about 200 persons, many of whom were women living in Montpelier. The afternoon session of the picnic following the reception in the pavilion, the following persons representing the society stood in line and received the guests: Mrs. C. S. Dana of New Haven, Mrs. Mason S. Stone, Mrs. Frances Seymour and Miss E. W. Clement. The rooms were decorated with a color scheme of green and yellow. The Land-Persell orchestra furnished music.

COMBINES THREE JOBS

Montpelier Tries Concentration of Several City Heads in One

Montpelier, March 13.—The Montpelier city council, of which five out of six are new members, to-night started a plan which the members feel will be for improvement and efficiency when combined in several departments. J. J. Reardon, who is the new city engineer, however, owing to his health, has given a leave of absence until he shall recover it. Benjamin Hayward was elected city engineer and the latter combined with his supervision of streets, sewers, water and engineering. These positions before have been filled by three individuals. Deputy United States Marshal G. F. Mackay has been re-elected overseer of the poor. The supply committee will by a motor truck for use by the departments.

K. C.'s Confer Degree

Montpelier, March 16.—The third degree was conferred this evening by Montpelier Council, Knights of Columbus, upon 41 candidates. The work was done by State Deputy Thomas B. Wright of Burlington and suite. State Treasurer Arthur Moore of Barre was also present. Preceding the work the candidates and members attended a reception at St. Augustine's Church at which the Rev. P. J. Long spoke, following the degree work a buffet luncheon was served. Some 400 members saw the degree conferred.

SMOOTH SAILING IN BOTH HOUSES

Big Grist of Business Is Handled in Vermont Legislature with Few Breaks During Day for Discussion

WORK IS SPEEDED UP

Chiropractic Bill Finally out of the Way—Raise in Pay for Sheriffs Recommended—Several More Measures Signed by Governor Clement

Montpelier, March 14.—An unusual occurrence in the legislative session took place this morning, when S. 92, introduced to-day by the committee on penal institutions, and providing for the appointment of five commissioners to negotiate with the Board of Control for the protection of Rutland county's interest in the House of Correction, passed both houses of the Legislature under suspension of the rules.

It was smooth sailing in both houses of the General Assembly to-day, and a big grist of routine business was handled, with very little break for discussion. The Senate disposed of a long list of bills which went to third readings, passed a couple of measures, put over one or two, and completed its calendar about 11:20 adjourning until Monday evening.

It looked when the House convened for the afternoon session as though there would not be a quorum, the speaker called those present to order. The situation was relieved, however, when more appeared to allow the House to do business in regular form. The afternoon session was brief.

From the number of those who appeared with traveling bags and suit cases this afternoon and others who were heard to announce that they were going home this afternoon it does not seem likely that there will be much of an attendance at the session to-morrow morning, which the House has pledged itself to hold by adjourning on the 7th of the week. There will be very little business on the calendar to-morrow, and a brief and quiet session is expected.

CHIROPRACTIC BILL PASSED

At last the chiropractic bill (H. 15), is out of the way, the House, after some discussion, concurring this morning in the Senate proposal of amendment, which provides that any chiropractor practicing in the State six months prior to the passage of the act, and who is a graduate of a chartered school of chiropractic requiring actual attendance during his course, shall be granted a license to practice in the State upon presentation of his diploma, provided that application shall be made within 60 days, after this act takes effect, and is accompanied by a fee of \$10.

This amendment was favored by Mr. Webster of Swanton, who said that he understood it was satisfactory to the committee on public health, and satisfied the requirements needed for protection of the public, and that the factions which had contested on the bill were therefore agreed.

Mr. Taylor of Hardwick objected to the amendment on the ground that it was class legislation, because he understood that, while it would allow chiropractors now practicing in the State to continue, it would keep out all others, there being no school that he knew of which now requires a three-year course in chiropractic.

Mr. Carpenter of Richford favored the amendment, saying that it furnished the proper protection to the public, and Mr. Alexander of St. Albans also favored the bill, saying that the Palmer School of Chiropractic now has a three-year course and that there will be no trouble about future chiropractors who might wish to come into the State getting the proper preliminary education.

There was a brief discussion on one or two other measures, but nearly everything went through in a hurry. The House adopted the amendments offered by the committee on Judiciary to S. 81, relating to punishment of habitual drunkards, and the amendments to S. 81, relating to punishment of habitual drunkards, and the amendments to S. 81, relating to punishment of habitual drunkards.

Third reading was refused H. 143, raising the salaries of the sheriffs of Windham, Caledonia and Benning counties. The bill was ordered to a third reading. In Windham county, the bill was amended to raise salaries of sheriffs in the other two counties mentioned. The House, without debate, rejected each amendment in turn and then killed the bill.

The House passed H. 256, providing for the preparation and publication of a suitable history and memorial to Vermont's part in the war; H. 272, relating to domestic mutual fire insurance companies; H. 273, relating to the investment of banks in municipal bonds; H. 274, amending certain acts relating to the appointment and duties of the clerk of the Barre city court.

There was some discussion over H. 271, prohibiting the sale of diseased or disabled horses, and the bill was ordered to lie.

On motion of Mr. Marvin of Albion, H. 281, relating to soldiers' monuments, a new bill introduced this morning was read the second time under suspension of the rules, and ordered to a third reading.

190, relating to the registration of traction engines, and providing for a reduction fee for long haulers in certain cases.

On motion of Senator Hendee, H. 267, relating to maintenance of State roads by the patrol system, which was under an adverse report, was recommended.

Senator Ames succeeded in having S. 87, the committee bill on workmen's compensation, again put over, and it was made a special order for next Wednesday.

The Senate concurred in the House proposal of amendment to S. 78, relating to fishing through the ice.

HOUSE—AFTERNOON

On motion of Mr. Dunklee of Vernon, the rules were suspended and S. 79, an act to stimulate the farming industry of the State and to provide for a census of farms offered for sale, was taken from the table and recommitted.

Third reading was ordered on H. 270, relating to notice to taxpayers, after the bill had been amended and recommended by the committee on taxation.

The House passed H. 155, authorizing the auditor of accounts to convey certain lands owned by the State within the town of Waterbury. The bill was called up by Mr. Dyer of Salisbury.

Without debate the House rejected S. 82, relating to municipal courts, which was adversely reported.

BILLS SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

Governor Clement has signed the following bills:

H. 55. An act to amend section 5528 of the General Laws, providing that insurance companies shall be responsible for the acts of their agents and repealing section 5563.

H. 156. An act to amend section 5525 and 5526 of the General Laws, relating to the licensing of milk and cream trucks and the making of regulations relating to the testing of milk and cream.

H. 162. An act to amend section 5523 of the General Laws, relating to the amendment of the articles of association of insurance companies.

H. 174. An act to amend section 4346 of the General Laws, providing for the removal of a poor and indigent person to the town from which he last came.

S. 82. An act relating to the appointment of commissioners to act for Rutland county for certain purposes.

LEGISLATIVE NOTE

H. 281, reported by the committee on military affairs, and introduced in the House this morning, comes to the Legislature through the efforts of Mr. Marvin of Albion. The bill provides that towns may instruct their selectmen to erect suitable monuments for soldiers who have served and died in any war of the United States.

HOUSE DISCUSSES MOTOR TRUCK BILL

Impossible Saturday to Dispose of Amendment Offered—On Monday's Calendar

Montpelier, March 16.—With less than 100 members present the House held its first real Saturday morning session yesterday. It passed nine bills, ordered three to third readings, and put over two which called for more extensive treatment, clearing up the calendar so that the session could be started with a rush Monday evening. In the meantime, the Senate chamber remained in undisturbed repose, the greater part of the senators having gone to their homes Friday.

It was found when it came time to convene the House that the chaplain was taking the day off, and Mr. McFarland was drafted to conduct the exercises.

Only one bill caused any discussion in the House. This was H. 278, relating to the operation of trucks and other motor vehicles, a new measure introduced Friday. The bill was read the second time, and Mr. Witters of St. Johnsbury interrogated the committee.

Mr. Taylor of Hardwick, speaker for the committee, said that it had not been intended that the bill should be so interpreted. There is a provision in the measure for registering cars of non-residents who come into the State for the season of not more than four months during the summer, and the question arose as to whether a woman not paying a poll tax and not voting would be classed as a non-resident under this act.

Mr. Blood of West Windsor also interrogated the committee as to whether this act would not interfere with the provision of the vital records of the State, and that allowed persons in other States to live within 15 miles of Vermont, to drive cars into the State now and then under reciprocal relations. Mr. Taylor replied that this new act refers only to non-residents who come into the State and spend practically the entire season, or part of the season here, and does not refer to those who are going and coming.

Mr. Buxton of Middletown Springs offered several amendments in the wording of the bill, to clear up an error, and Mr. Ayers of Barre city, called attention to the fact that it would be necessary to have the bill amended to provide that drivers would know which ones required the care in driving prescribed in this act, so that it would not be necessary to get out and measure every bridge encountered. Mr. Buxton said that such a provision would be incorporated in the act.

The bill was passed by a vote of 100 yeas to 10 nays, and the measure, Mr. Cudworth of Londonderry moved that the bill be placed at the end of the calendar and this was agreed to. It will come up Monday evening.

Another bill put over for further consideration was H. 276, relating to the election of town officers, and the measure, Mr. Cudworth of Londonderry moved that the bill be placed at the end of the calendar and this was agreed to. It will come up Monday evening.

The House passed in concurrence, S. 67, relating to the issuance of bonds for county tuberculosis hospitals; S. 81, relating to the punishment of habitual drunkards; S. 82, to provide for the completion of the vital records of the State. Other bills passed were: H. 155, relating to the punishment of habitual drunkards; H. 270, relating to notice to taxpayers; H. 272, relating to commitments to the School for Feeble-Minded; H. 273, regulating the transportation of dynamite, gunpowder and other explosives by common carrier; and H. 281, relating to soldiers' monuments (as amended to include memorial buildings).

Under suspension of the rules, the House reconsidered its vote by which it passed in concurrence S. 68, relating to the granting of letters of administration. The bill was called by Mr. Cudworth of Londonderry, who said that some miswording had been found after the bill reached the executive chamber. The measure was passed in concurrence with proposals of amendment offered by Mr. Cudworth.

The House also concurred in the Senate proposal of amendment to H. 242, relating to service of process by a special deputy.

BILLS SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

Governor Clement has signed the following bills:

H. 232, an act relative to the registration and operation of motor vehicles owned by non-residents residing within fifteen miles of the boundaries of this State.

H. 235, an act to amend the first paragraph of section 58 of No. 211 of the acts of 1902, as amended, relating to the transfer of the State House from its present site to a new site.

H. 276, an act relating to transfers of inmates between certain State institutions.

FRANKLIN CO. FARMERS MEET

Annual Meeting of Bureau—Commissioner Brigham Present—To Run Work on Community Idea

ter idea, dividing the county up into natural communities with farmers in charge of definite lines of work in each of these communities. Several of these communities have already been partially organized and the officers of the farm bureau hope to have many more in working order within the year, and it is with this type of organization that the work of the farm bureau can do its most effective work.

The officers of the bureau were elected for the ensuing year and are as follows: President, State Commissioner E. S. Brigham; Vice-president, H. K. Brooks, of St. Albans town; secretary, E. E. Smith of Enosburg, and treasurer, L. L. Marsh of Enosburg.

WHO WANTS TWO SCOTSMEN?

Montpelier, March 16.—A letter of exceptional interest has just come to the hands of Harry A. Black, secretary of state. It is from two lieutenants of the Third Battalion of the Royal Scots, buying, selling and general office routine work. We are both able to write short-hand (Pitman's) and type and have a good primary and higher grade education. We are strictly temperate in our habits and, although we have been wounded a few times, we are not thereby incapacitated or medically unfit in any way.

"We are Scots and at present officers in above regiment and have each had over four years' service in the army, both at home and abroad.

"Previous to the war we were employed on clerical work and have had experience in bookkeeping, pay-sheets, buying, selling and general office routine work. We are both able to write short-hand (Pitman's) and type and have a good primary and higher grade education. We are strictly temperate in our habits and, although we have been wounded a few times, we are not thereby incapacitated or medically unfit in any way.

"We are 25 and 23 years old, respectively, about five feet six inches in height and sturdy built. We have our old jobs at home open to us when we demobilize, but we want to get away from the cramped atmosphere of the old country and because there are very few openings for young men here.

"We are ambitious and that will make of us good and willing workers. Our army training has inculcated discipline in us and at the same time we have gained experience in handling and controlling men and in administrative work. "Should you desire any further reference to our characters we would be pleased to forward them.

"If you can give us an opening we can assure you that we will do our utmost to give entire satisfaction and devote ourselves solely to your interests. "Awaiting your favor of a reply, we have the honor to be, Sir,

"Yours faithfully,
"NORMAN J. BIRD, Lieut.
"DAV. THOMSON, Lieut.
"P. S. Please address any reply to: D. Thomson, 2 Ravenshough Rd., Levenhall, Musselburgh, Scotland."

TRY TO SHOW "OLD" AGREEMENT GENUINE

Vt. Marble Co. Supt. Closely Cross-Examined in Eastman Perjury Case

Rutland, March 16.—Another attempt was made Saturday to prove the validity of the alleged 25-year-old agreement which figured so prominently in the boundary line case between the Vermont Marble company and George P. Eastman when counsel for Mr. Eastman, who is on trial in Rutland county court for perjury, cross examined George C. Robinson of West Rutland, one of the Vermont Marble company's superintendents, Saturday.

Mr. Robinson was questioned as to surveys he made at the Fant lot in 1891, the year previous to the date when the alleged agreement was made, and he was asked the question: "Do you recall any reason why you went up to this Fant lot to survey so many times? Was it not because there was a dispute concerning it?"

Was it, in fact, the very dispute touched upon in exhibit one (the agreement)? Mr. Robinson answered that he was positive that there was never any such agreement made as was mentioned in the paper. Attorney Gordon pressed the matter further until one of the witnesses ruled out the question of the late Fletcher D. Proctor, who pointed out that Mr. Robinson did not draw up the paper.

The witness was next interrogated as to the business methods of the Proctor, principal owners of the Vermont Marble company and the examiner attempted to show that the late Fletcher D. Proctor frequently made important decisions without consulting the directors.

"Might not Fletcher Proctor have gone before Joel C. Baker and have executed this paper in 1892 without your knowledge?" Mr. Robinson was asked. The witness would not admit the possibility because, he said, he was certain from intimate acquaintance with Mr. Proctor that the latter would never have made any agreement like the one claimed by Eastman.

Mr. Robinson admitted that his own signature on the disputed document was a perfect likeness of his handwriting but he was sure that he never signed the paper.

Samuel A. Howard of Rutland, vice-president of the Vermont Marble company, was on the witness stand when court took the usual early recess for over Sunday.

Attach Insurance Policies

Montpelier, March 16.—The plaintiff's attorneys in the case of E. Gomez vs. the three insurance companies Saturday morning called to the witness stand the three witnesses who the defense sought to testify as to the rejection of the claims made by the plaintiff for loss of his building in Northfield by fire over a year ago. The witness was L. S. Hayes of Bellows Falls, who has general supervision of the work of the companies in Vermont and who testified that the first claims were rejected because they were not right, stating that the plaintiff owned the land upon which the property that burned was standing before the fire. The plaintiff is involved in another suit in which he is defendant, E. L. Smith & Co. Inc., in Barre, having attached the insurance policies to get their money, in case of a verdict for the plaintiff in the Gomez case.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM BEN CROWDER

Local Board, Rutland No. 2, First in U. S. to Complete Its Work

Montpelier, March 15.—A telegram received at Montpelier this morning from Provost Marshal General Crowder reads in part as follows: "First local board in United States to report completion of fourth status in Rutland No. 2 of Vermont. Congratulations."

This refers to the completion of the records under the selective service act, the records of the board above named having been shipped to Washington Saturday, arriving ahead of all others in the United States. George H. Allen of Fair Haven is the chairman of the local board known as Rutland No. 2, which comprises the district of Fair Haven. Mr. Allen has been exceptionally prompt in his work as chairman of this local board.

The telegram from General Crowder also states that the first local board to report sale of property is Lee county, North Carolina; that the second step of the final work has been completed in Kentucky; and the third and final step is 70 per cent completed in Maine and 60 per cent completed in Minnesota.

THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Beals of East Swanton Honored—Neighboring Couple's Anniversary

St. Albans, March 16.—To-day was the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Beals of East Swanton. About 50 relatives and friends met at their home last evening to celebrate the event. By a coincidence the day was the 38th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Bliss of Swanton and Saturday was the 25th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore, who live in the town of Shelburne. The three families live within three-quarters of a mile of each other and Mr. and Mrs. Bliss and Mr. and Mrs. Moore were present last night. The Rev. D. G. Guert, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church in this city, of which Mr. and Mrs. Beals are members, offered prayer and made remarks. A grand son, Richard Brown of St. Albans town, also spoke and Esther Brown of this city, a granddaughter, read a poem. Refreshments were served and a bride's cake was cut by Mrs. Beals.

The host and hostess were presented a purse of over \$70 in gold. Mr. and Mrs. Beals have three daughters, Mrs. Milo Webster of Shelburne, Mrs. Emory Brown of this city, and Mrs. Gaylord Corliss of East Swanton, and all were present, as were the seven grandchildren. Others present from out of town included Mr. Brown of this city and Ruth Webster of Shelburne.

CLERGY MAKE PLEA FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Different Religious Communions of the State Represented at State Capital

Montpelier, March 13.—Bishop George Y. Bliss, bishop coadjutor of Vermont, Dr. W. A. Davison, secretary and superintendent for the Baptist State convention, and the Rev. George F. Fortier, superintendent of Universalist Churches of Vermont, were at the capital to-day in conference with various parties regarding the following matters:

At an informal meeting of representatives of different religious communions in Vermont, the undersigned desire to express their strong opinion that the care of dependent children in the State should be entirely separated from the care of delinquent children, and submit a view to this, they urge that the present Legislature amend the existing laws so as to make it impossible for judicial authorities to commit dependent children to the Vermont Industrial school; and they earnestly hope that an adequate and liberal provision may be made for the care of dependent children.

ARTHUR C. A. HALL, (Episcopal Bishop of Vermont)
JOHN A. HAMILTON, (Representing the Methodist Episcopal Church in Vermont)
GEORGE F. FORTIER, (Superintendent of Universalist Churches in Vermont)
CHARLES J. STAPLES, (Representing the Unitarian Churches in Vermont)

CHARLES C. MERRILL, (Secy. of the Congregational Convention)
I. C. SMART, (Secy. Interdenominational Ministers' Conference of Burlington)
W. A. DAVISON, (Secretary and Superintendent for the Baptist State Convention)
GEORGE F. BLISS, (Bishop Coadjutor for Vermont)

We ask the following members of our meeting: Bishop George Y. Bliss, Dr. W. A. Davison, and the Rev. George F. Fortier to be ready to present, if possible, in person, this memorial to the Legislature or to the committees thereof specially concerned with the subject, and to press this matter upon their attention.

MEETS INSTANT DEATH

William McCane Disemboweled When Caught and Whirled in Shafting in Garage

Montpelier, March 13.—William McCane, employee of James Brothers garage, was instantly killed this afternoon by being carried around a shafting in the shed, his arms, legs and head being torn from the body. With a man named Beaulac he was applying a rope when in some manner he came too near the revolving shafting, with the result that his clothing caught and he was carried around. The shafting runs close to the side of the shed so that he had to go through a nine-inch space. He leaves a wife and two children.

OUT FOR COMMANDERSHIP

J. W. Titcomb and H. J. Conant Are Mentioned for Plank and Game Post

Montpelier, March 13.—It is said that L. L. Leavens of Cambridge, commissioner of fish and game, in meeting with some opposition. Two candidates, who are mentioned for the place and whose friends are urging their candidacy are J. W. Titcomb, who was formerly commissioner, and H. J. Conant of East Swanton, for a time deputy commissioner.